

**Greg Garcia**  
**Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications**  
**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

Gregory T. (Greg) Garcia was appointed by Secretary Michael Chertoff on September 18, 2006, to be America's first Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications (CS&C) for the Department of Homeland Security within the National Protection and Programs Directorate. Mr. Garcia leads the strategic direction of CS&C and oversees the National Cyber Security Division, the National Communications System, and the Office of Emergency Communications.

Prior to joining the Department, Mr. Garcia served as Vice President for Information Security Programs and Policy with the Information Technology Association of America (ITAA). In this capacity, he managed all programmatic and public policy aspects of information security, with a view to strengthening our national cyber readiness among the user and vendor communities. Additionally, he worked with the Department of Homeland Security to co-found the National Cyber Security Partnership.

Before joining ITAA in April 2003, Mr. Garcia served on the staff of the House Science Committee where he was responsible for industry outreach and legislative issues related to information technology and cyber security. In particular, Mr. Garcia played an active role under the leadership of Chairman Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY) in the drafting and shepherding of the Cyber Security R&D Act of 2002.

Prior to his experience on Capital Hill, Mr. Garcia worked for several organizations on policy issues. He served as Director of 3Com Corporation's Government Relations Office in Washington, DC where he was responsible for all aspects of the company's strategic public policy formulation and advocacy. He also served as Coalition Manager for Americans for Computer Privacy, a high profile grassroots policy advocacy campaign dedicated to overturning U.S. export and domestic use regulation of encryption technology. This effort was successful after just one year of intense lobbying and high-end media strategies.

Mr. Garcia lobbied international trade policy for the American Electronics Association, including export controls, customs, European and multilateral trade negotiations. He also worked for Newmyer Associates, Inc. a public policy consulting firm where he reported and consulted on international trade policy for Fortune 500 clients.

Mr. Garcia is a graduate of San Jose State University in California.



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